

MR. STANTON'S DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, June 8, 1864—12 noon.—To Major General Dix New York: A dispatch from General Grant, dated yesterday afternoon, 3.05 P. M., reports: "All has been very quiet to day. No casualties reported."

A dispatch from General Sherman, dated at Ackworth yesterday evening, 6.30, P. M., says: "I have been to Altoona Pass, and find it very admirable for our purpose. It is the gate through the last or most eastern spur of the Alleghenies. It now becomes as useful to us as it was to the enemy, being easily defended from either direction."

"The roads hence (from Ackworth) into Georgia are large and good, and the country more open." Details of the position of our troops and contemplated movements are given, but are not needed for public information.—The dispatch further states that "the enemy is not in our immediate front, but his signals are seen on Lost Mountain and Keneshaw."

Dispatches from Gen. Canby, dated June 3, have been received, which report satisfactory progress in the organization of his command.

EDWIN M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

WASHINGTON, June 8, 1864.—1.30 P. M.—To Major General Dix, New York: A dispatch from Mr. Dana, at General Grant's headquarters, dated last night at 8.30 P. M., announces a victory by General Hunter over the rebels beyond Staunton, and that the rebel General Jones was killed on the battle-field. The dispatch is as follows:

"Richmond Examiner of to-day speaks of the defeat of Gen. W. E. Jones by General Hunter, twelve miles beyond Staunton, Va. General Jones was killed on the field. His successor retired to Waynesboro, and now holds the mountains between Charlottesville and Staunton. The paper further states that no hospital stores were captured by Hunter."

Another dispatch announces that our forces occupy Staunton.

Hunter's victory, and that our troops occupy Staunton, is confirmed by the following dispatch, just received from Gen. Butler:

"All quiet on my line. Richmond papers of June 7 give intelligence of a fight at Mount Crawford between General Hunter and Gen. Jones, in which Hunter was victorious, and Jones, rebel commander, was killed. Staunton was afterwards occupied by the Union forces. The fighting was on Sunday."

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